

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, another year has started, although it still feels like the deep dark end of winter. I know we are all hoping for a bright and sunny spring and getting those pups outside again!

Our January specialty at the Buffalo Kennel Club's annual show at the Fairgrounds Event Center was a tremendous success. Several members showed their animals and several other members were there to cheer them on. A grand time was had by all.

We have several great programs this year and look forward to sharing them with all dachshund enthusiasts and anyone else who loves dogs. We are very fortunate to meet at a location that allows us to bring our dogs. So bring yours and come along and meet new people and new dogs and enjoy a fun afternoon!

We are planning a new special outing for the first time. Our friends are looking to celebrate their accomplishments at a celebration meal, no dog children allowed. Full details are to follow. We also will be having a summer picnic and annual Christmas party. All dates and locations will be found on the website.

I will be traveling to California in May to the national show of our parent club, The Dachshund Club of America. My two sisters are driving out at the end of April and I will be flying out to enjoy the camaraderie and joys of seeing some of the best Dachshunds in the land compete to be the <u>very</u> best. We plan on taking several dogs with us and hope that someone, besides us, think they are winners! The three of us will then be driving back across this great land of ours and sharing the sights and laughs with each other. I truly look forward to this time with my family and friends I have met over the years.

I am also pleased to let our members know that

while we thought that the "Wine Country Circuit" was moving to Syracuse as of 2014, they have decided to stay on with Sampson State Park for a few more years and so we will be planning a second Specialty this year, back at "Wine Country". We are always looking for help with this specialty, whether you can be there or just spend a few dollars for trophy support; we appreciate whatever you can do.

Our club is here to help you better understand your dachshund and to share in the knowledge that others have about their dachshunds. We encourage responsible ownership and respect and love for the breed. So come along and bring your dog and plan on learning something while you are having fun!

Holly, President

DCA NATIONAL SPECIALTY

The Dachshund Club of America National Specialty will be held this year from May 5th to May 10th in Sacramento. California. The field, earth dog and tracking events were held in January.

Our club President Holly Schotz and her sisters are making the big trip to California. In 2015 the national events will be almost at our front door. Well, they will be in Chattanooga, Tennessee which relatively speaking is much closer. Hopefully, many more of us will be able to make that trip.

The performance events in 2015 will be held in Georgia the week before the conformation, agility and obedience/rally events, which will occur during the week of April 5 - 12. This Chattanooga site comes highly recommended. Many dog shows have been successfully held there in the past.

For more information as it becomes available go to www.dachshund-dca.org



NEW ACTIVITIES FOR DACHSHUNDS

The latest events to keep our dogs slim, trim and happy are **Lure Coursing** and **Barn Hunt**.

Lure Coursing is an AKC event in which your dog can earn titles. The activity consists of the dog chasing a lure (usually a white cloth or plastic bag). Dogs that measure 12 inches or under at the withers run a 330-yard course. There are no sharp turns in the course. The first title a dog can earn is the Coursing Ability Test title, which is the CA. My dogs have done this for fun at earth dog events and as long as your dog has some prey driveand what dachshund does not?... it should take to this activity with enthusiasm. Lure Coursing is often becoming part of large all breed show clusters. Watch the AKC events pages on the web to locate Lure Coursing tests.

For more information go to www.classic.akc.org/events/coursing_ability_test/ new_event.cfm

Barn Hunt also offers titles awarded by the Barn Hunt Association but the owner can arrange for these titles to appear on his/her dog's AKC pedigree. Barn Hunt attempts to recreate a natural environment in which a dog scents, tracks, pursues and marks the location of a rat. Like with Earth Dog, the rat is in a cage or tube and protected from the dog's advances. Neither Earth Dog nor Barn Hunt is a "blood sport"!

A typical Barn Hunt run for a dog requires that the dog locate the rat and t get to the rat by going through openings in hay bales and climbing over hay bales to get to its quarry. There are three height divisions. So, both big and little dogs can participate. They just must be able to go through an opening of 18" X 22".

There are Barn Hunt training events and actual tests popping up everywhere. Your dog must be registered with the Barn Hunt Association to participate. Registration and more information about the skills required and a schedule of events can be found at www.barnhunt.com.

There is also a video on You Tube that shows a dog enjoying its barn hunt. You can find the web address at www.barnhunt.com.

SPECIALTY RESULTS

September 2013/ Wine Country

Longhair

- WD Jarbsy's Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy Sophie Tremblay
- WB Telkel Je Suis L'Evidence SL
- BW Sophie Tremblay
- B/G1 GCH. Aviance's Pramada For Terms Of RBIS Endearment Valerie Diker
- SEL GCH. Stonybrook's Phinito Robin Gianopoulos
- SEL CH. Grandgables Reddy To Believe Kim Pieroti
- OS CH. Nepachee's Sole Karen Winek

Smooth

- WD Dachlines Bach in Black And Tan Wendy and Jeremy Beck
- WB Sunrise-XO Sansa MS



- BW Patricia Guthrie
- B CH. Treslow's Garden Party SS, CGC Dawn Gagola
- OS CH. Dachlines Ride Of The Valkyrie Wendy and Jeremy Beck
- SEL CH. Grandgables Yummy MS Guy Jeavons

Wirehair

- WD Roodachs Mickey Rooney SW
- BW Timothy Andrews
- WB Sunrise-XO GD's Trendsetter MW OS Patricia Guthrie
- B GCH. Raydachs Ride My Ducati SW Shirley Ray
- SEL GCH. Legibach Captain Crunch SW Sally Sweatt

January 2014/ Hamburg

Longhair

- Best Longhair Veteran In Sweeps D.Q. Blizzard Sonja Miller
- WD Cedavoch Dark Lord Sophie Tremblay
- WB Cherlyns Star-Lit Scarlett ML BW Cheryl Grimshaw
- B GCH. Stonybrooks Phinito B.Durvin
- OS CH. Telkel Encore Une Manigance SL Sophie Tremblay

- SEL GCH. JT's Kaycees Phoenix of Tam-Boer ML Lena Tamboer
- SEL GCH. Virgo Juicy Coutour Karen Wnek

Smooth

- Best Smooth in Sweeps G2's Spinnaker Saille Of Long Shots Holly & Alex Schotz and J & K Gerling
- Best OS Veteran Smooth in Sweeps CH. Long Shots Apple Jack Alex & Holly Schotz
- Best Veteran Smooth in Sweeps CH. Hiswills Oakcrest Meredith Dawn Gagola and Donna Taylor
- WD Grandgables Wee Mr Picasso
- BW Guy Jeavons
- WB Hacienda The Mardigras Rhonda Doty
- B CH Treslow's Garden Party SS, BN
- G3 Dawn Gagola & Donna Taylor
- OS GCH. RHill's Total Knnockout MS Terri Frenia
- SEL CH. Dachlines Ride Of The Valkyrie Wendy & Jeremy Beck
- SEL CH. Desjardins Camis Pretty Portrait MS Bonnie Ball

Wirehaired

WD Victory's See No Evil W

BW Victoria Thomas



- WB Starbarrack Sweet Sensations SW
- OS Timothy Andrews & Randall French
- B CH. Wildwood's Boris Badenough MW C. Owen

SEL CH. Rosethorn Guessing Game D.Stoll & S. Parish

FIELD TRIAL RESULTS

Both **Bill and Karen Brown's** "Einstein" and **Gail Binder's** "Edel" earned field champion titles this past year. See **News From Members** for more details. But, if you thought that field trials are all about the dogs.... Well, take a look at this photo. It was taken the night before our September trials. We are celebrating even before we've won anything. It was taken at Alex's Place in Batavia. From left to right are Laurel Whistance-Smith (Canada), Brenda Bolay, Pamela Burns (Canada), Ed Wills (New Hampshire), Betty Dimmick and Gail Binder. OK so now, how about coming and joining us????



Wendy Beck has had a very successful year with her two smooth standard males. Wagner and Sebastian were born in January of 2012 to Wendy's first show dog, Skipper. Wagner was the pick dog of the litter and became a Champion before his first birthday. Sebastian was supposed to go to a pet home, but he fell in love with Jeremy Beck and therefore joined the pack.

Since his First birthday, Wagner has earned 30 grand champion points. He needs one major win to complete his Grand Champion title. Julia has started to compete with Wagner in Junior Showmanship and has five class wins with competition and three class placements with competition since she started competing in June of 2013.

Wendy started showing Sebastian in June of 2013 and only competes with him when she has Julia as her handler as Sebastian is quite a handful. This January, Sebastian earned his Champion title with a four point Best of Variety major win and then went on to win a group four placement at the Erie Kennel Club Show. At the time of this writing, Sebastian is the fifth ranked all breed smooth dachshund in the country for 2014.

Both boys were finished in the Bred By Exhibitor class. Julia has gained a lot of show experience and is very dedicated in her role as handler and assistant. Both Wendy and Julia look to continue showing both dogs in conformation. They are also planning to start obedience classes with the hope of competing in agility.

NEWS FROM OUR MMBERS



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Wagner



Sebastian

Kim Bessinger's Dachsadore Star Shadow's Dancer SL "Dancer" is out on the road with handler, Tara Hartman. Dancer only needs 4 single points to finish her championship. Kim will soon have a new champion in the house.

There has been some not so good news at Kim's house too. Her boy GCH. Hundeleben Naughty Boy

"Buca" will probably have to be neutered sometime soon as a result of an infection. He has sired some outstanding pups and Kim hopes to freeze some of his semen to continue his line. Buca was sired by Ch. Homars Havana Joe "Bubba" and his dam is Ch. Homar's Fly Like An Eagle. He was bred by Carlos Puig. Kim's Dancer is out of Buca. **Sonja Miller's** "Schultz" is out of Buca and Buca also has champion progeny in Canada and New Jersey.

Kim's "Tish" had a back injury about two years ago and Kim reports that Tish received acupuncture, back adjustments and other treatments from Dr Cynthia Lankenau and is now too playful for her own good.



Buca, Dancer, ViVi, and Sydney

Karen and Bill Brown had good news to share. After placing second through fourth 14 times at field trials, DC Caldachs Claddach "Einstein" finally earned that elusive first place to become a field champion. This made him not only a field champion but Einstein came to Bill and Karen already a breed champion. Soooo.... He is now a Dual Champion!! He did this last May at the Albany/Bay Colony trials. He may not always find the rabbit, but he always has a good time.

Karen and Bill also have an old sweet heart named "Roxy". At 16 ¹/₂ years of age Roxy was diagnosed



with dog dementia. Over the summer and early fall, her symptoms were increasing. She was wondering aimlessly, getting stuck behind doors and furniture, forgetting how to enter a room, increased accidents in the house, etc. After ruling out an eye problem, the vet has started Roxy on a drug that is used to treat humans with Alzheimer's. The drug is Selegiline. After about 6 weeks of treatment, Roxy seems to be responding very positively to the drug. She still has one or two off days, but the majority of the time, she is back to her normal self!



Einstein and Roxy in February 2014

Nancy and Ed Currier have shared a special find! They found the perfect dog bed at Petsmart. It is a bed with a gel mattress, but what makes it great is that it is long... so long that their longest dog can stretch out in it and their two dogs (Corrie and Scarlet) can lie side by side.

Mary Anne Kermis and her dog "Ginger" reported on a very extraordinary trip. I am guessing however, that Ginger was not invited to join the adventure. Mary Anne and her family (all 4 of them) went to Northern Europe - Berlin, Copenhagen, Stockholm and Helsinki followed by a week in the Russian cities of St Petersburg and Moscow. Mary Anne says it was wonderful. What made it especially good was that Mary Anne's daughter, Lizzie, is starting her residency and after that travel together is going to be a rare event.

Sonja Miller has shared some very good news and some sad news. The good news first! "Schultz", CH Dachsadore Isle DeGrand Best Man, is very close to earning his Grand Champion title. He has only a few points to go. Sonja's other good news is that "Doolie", Dachsadore Isle DeGrand Macho Man, accomplished the first step toward becoming a therapy dog by completing his Canine Good Citizen title. He is now attending the advanced class and should soon be out there visiting places where his love and good cheer will be very much appreciated.

Sonja's sad news it that in January she lost her DQ Blizzard.

Ann and Mike Pierce are pleased to share the news that their daughter Emily was married on September 7, 2013. She was a beautiful bride and they now have a son-in-law, Joe. The wedding reception was at Becker Farms. It was a great time for all there.

The Pierce's three Dachshunds keep them busy and always keep them entertained. Each one has a personality of their own. Willy is now 15 years young and does very well for his age. Gus is 11 and Felicity is 9.

Nancy Richert, her friend Phil and their Dachshund Ashley had a great summer. Ashley earned her Canine Good Citizen title in June. On the day of the DCGB picnic Ashley found two abandoned, very young kittens in the park near their home. Phil and Nancy rescued them and brought them to the SPCA. They were subsequently adopted. They also took many long hikes with Ashley this past summer at Letchworth State Park and Minister Creek in Pennsylvania among other places. Ashley is quite the little hiker!



Gail Binder and her dogs were busy in 2013. Gail's oldest dog, "Rosie", DC Dazzle's Hrotswitha Von Gandersheim W, UD, was diagnosed on January 2, 2013 at Cornell with brain tumors. For the next 5 months Gail cared for her night and day rarely leaving her for more than two hours at a time. In May it was time to let Rosie go. Rosie enjoyed field trials and also gave her all in the obedience ring. She was well on her way to an OTCH and UDX (two of the top obedience titles) when her health interrupted her obedience career. She had two cervical disc surgeries and several eye surgeries. Rosie was bred by Ken Levison. She was two months shy of her 16th birthday when she died.



Daisy and Edelweiss Gail's" Daisy", DC Starbarrack Wild Flower W, CDX. Earned her Open obedience title in June of 2013. She recently started showing in Utility. She is also occasionally brilliant at field trials but she has her own criteria for determining whether or not she desires to expend the needed effort!

Gail is very glad that she added a new puppy to the household in 2012. It helped having this hellion, "Edel", around when Rosie was ill. FC Edelweiss Von Lowenherz, "Edel" is quite obviously on this earth to make everyone laugh. Edel is from European hunting lines and not American show lines but she is body, mind and soul prepared to function as the Dachshund was meant to function. At the age of 11 months she won the 2013 Dachshund Club of America National Field trial winning over 120 other entrants. She also loves doing things any thing!!! ... and trembles in anticipation of even doing obedience heeling.



Edelweiss 2013 National Field Trial Winner

Brenda Bolay and Betty Dimmick are both still involved in volunteer work at Mote Marine. Betty is a cashier at the aquarium and also is in charge of scheduling all the cashiers and substitutes. Brenda works as a guide in the aquarium and also helps in the dolphin/whale hospital when they have sick or injured animals.

Brenda took on the task of Obedience Training Director at the Sarasota Obedience Training Club. This involves scheduling classes, securing volunteer instructors and working with the registrar to fill the classes. She is preparing appropriate curriculum for beginner and advanced classes and training instructors. She is also teaching two classes.

Betty with Ali and Brenda with Kassie entered the Sarasota Club's Obedience Trial. Although neither handler/dog team qualified, there were some bright spots with many of the tasks accomplished successfully. At times each dog decided to "do their own thing" and now they both know what needs further training and work. Both are continuing to train for utility and Betty is also training Ali for



Rally Excellent.

They look forward to their northern return - but not until it stops snowing up here!! Betty added that "it's nice to NOT have to shovel a path for the doxies. We live on Anna Maria Island, Florida in the Gulf of Mexico.?\"

Dawn Gagola and Donna Taylor were too shy to send news but it is known fact that they had several spectacular wins at the Hamburg shows. On Friday their Mabel finished her Grand Championship. Then Mabel Was Best Of Variety on both Saturday and Sunday and took a Group 3 on Saturday and a Group 1 on Sunday. Huge congrats to Donna and Dawn and Mabel.

Bonnie Ball has shared that her AmCan CH Desjardin's Camis Pretty Portrait MS has been having some very good wins. She finished with 4 majors. At the Hamburg shows she was a Select Bitch for 14 points toward her Grand Championship. She was bred to BISS BPIS GCH/UKC CH R'Hills Total Knockout MS, RN CGC , "KO". Puppies are expected on March 20th.

DCGB COMING EVENTS

DCGB Meeting Dates: March 2, April 6 and May 4 at 2:00 pm at the Bowmansville Methodist Church on Genesee Street in Bowmansville.

DCGB Luncheon - March 23rd at the Ramada Inn 2402 North Forest Road, Getzville, NY. From noon until approximately 4 PM. We anticipate that this may become an annual event. Watch our website (www.dcgb.net) for more details. Or better yet, come to a meeting and get the scoop first hand!!

DCGB Picnic: We do not yet have a date for our picnic but are hoping that Dawn and Al Gagola and Donna Taylor will again host this fun event at their

home 5250 Gasport Road, Gasport Call 716-772-7813 for info and to RSVP.

DCGB Field Trial: Sept.13 and Sept.14 at the Niagara River Beagle Club, Dodgeson Road Alexander NY. Contact Bill at bill@stumpydogs.org or Gail at geb3679@rit.edu.

DCGB Conformation Specialty Show: This is still in the planning stages but we expect to hold our next specialty on September 27th in Romulus, NY. Our specialty will again be part of the 4 day Wine Country Circuit which begins on Thursday, Sept. 25th and continues through Sunday, Sept 28th.

OTHER COMING EVENTS

Dachshund Club of New Jersey Specialty: March 22 in Edison, New Jersey

Dachshund Association of Long Island Specialty: March 23 in Edison, New Jersey

Salt City Conformation, Obedience, Rally and Agility Cluster: March 27,28,29,30 at the Fairgrounds in Syracuse. Contact Rau Dog Shows for more info.

Metropolitan Washington Dachshund Club Field Trial: April 5/6, at Swatara Beagle Club, Elizabethtown, PA.

Dachshund Fanciers Assn. of Berks County Field Trial: at Swatara Beagle Club, Elizabethtown, PA

Metropolitan Baltimore Dachshund Club Specialty: April 18 in Timonium, Maryland

Syracuse Dachshund Club Conformation and Obedience Specialty: April 26 in Cortland, NY Contact Darryl Hurst at



hurst899@windstream.net for entries or more information.

Dachshund Club of New Jersey Field Trial: May 3 /4 at the Wyoming Valley Beagle Club, Hunlock Creek, PA

Albany and Bay Colony Field Trials: May 17/18 at the Niagara River Beagle Club, Dodgeson Rd., Alexander NY.

Harrisburg Kennel Club Cluster: April 12/13

Western Pennsylvania Dachshund Club Specialty: May 24 in New Castle, Pennsylvania

Olean and Conewango Kennel Clubs Conformation and Obedience Trials: May 29,30, 31. Obedience only on May 31.

Genesee Valley Kennel Club Conformation and Obedience Trials: June 21/22, Rush, NY

Kennel Club Lackawanna Earth Dog Event: June 20/21/22, Moscow, PA

Finger Lakes Kennel Club AKC Earth Dog Event: July 19 and July 20, Newark Valley, NY.

Tonawanda Valley Kennel Club Conformation and Obedience Trials: August 30/31, Albion, NY

Albany Dachshund Club Earth Dog Event: August 30 and August 31, Otego, NY.

Western Lakes Training Club Obedience/Rally Trials: Sept 5 and Sept 7, East Amherst, NY.

Many of these events are in the planning stages. So, check for details closer to the given dates.

Watch our club website for more information on our club events - www.dcgb.net

For show information go to www.infodog.com or www.raudogshows.com or www.akc.org or contact the host club.